

REMARKS

Claims 1-7, 11-13, 18-24, 26, 27, 29, and 31-38 are pending. Claims 13, 18-24, 26, 27, 37, and 38 are rejected. Claims 13, 18-24, 26, 27, 37, and 38 are cancelled without prejudice. No new matter has been added.

Allowable Subject Matter

Applicants wish to thank the Examiner for indicating allowable subject matter. The Examiner has indicated that Claims 1-7, 11-12, 29, and 31-36 are allowed.

35 U.S.C. 102(e) Rejections

Claims 13, 19, 21-22, 24, 26-27, and 38 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(e) as being anticipated by Fishkin et al., U.S. Patent No. 6,243,074. These claims are cancelled. Applicants respectfully assert that these grounds for rejection are moot.

35 U.S.C. 103(a) Rejections

Claims 18, 20, 36, and 37 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being obvious over Fishkin et al., in view of Pelrine et al. These claims are cancelled.

Applicants respectfully assert that these grounds for rejection are moot.

Conclusion

In light of the above-listed amendments and remarks, Applicants respectfully request allowance of the remaining Claims.

The Examiner is urged to contact Applicants' undersigned representative if the Examiner believes such action would expedite resolution of the present Application.

Respectfully submitted,

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